## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below under my name.

I believe that I am the original and first sole inventor or an original and first joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

## CYTOPROTECTIVE EFFECTS OF ETHYL PYRUVATE the Specification of which

| $\boxtimes$ | is attached hereto  |
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|             | was filed on  |
|             | as United States Application Number or PCT International Application No |
|             | and was amended on (if applicable).                                     |

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified Specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, 1.56.

I hereby claim priority under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any provisional application filed in the United States in accordance with 35 U.S.C. §119(e), or any application for patent that has been converted to a Provisional Application within one (1) year of its filing date, or any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

## PRIOR FILED APPLICATION(S)

| APPLICATION   | <u>COUNTRY</u> | (DAY/MONTH/YEAR FILED) | PRIORITY CLAIMED |
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application listed below, and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in any prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56, which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

I hereby appoint as my attorney(s) and agent(s) Mark S. Cohen (Attorney, Registration No. 42,425) or Caleb Pollack (Attorney, Registration No. 37,912) or Guy Levi (Attorney, Registration No. 55,376) or Rachel Teitelbaum (Agent, Registration No. 56,708), said attorney(s) and agent(s) with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. These attorneys and agents are associated with Customer Number 49443.

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